



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
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COUNCIL BUSINESS:

PRELIMINARY 2005 BUDGET: The Council started discussing the 2005 Budget and Levy at its first or two public hearings on the budget. Councilmember Rose reminded the Council (via memo) that two years ago he recommended that the Council seek to adopt tax levies and budgets that would accomplish two goals for the General Fund:

- The year's ending balance should be approximately equal to 50% of the year's expenditures, and
 - Annual revenues should be equal to annual expenditures (i.e. balance the budget).
- He reported that the adopted 2004 Budget was consistent with these goals and that the estimated actuals for 2004 also appear to be consistent. After reviewing the taxing authority currently available to the Town both with and without a vote of the people and preliminary expenditure estimates, Councilmember Rose stated his conclusions:
- The Council should authorize a 2005 property tax levy in the maximum amount allowed without a vote of the people, and
 - If we keep control of expenses, the need for a vote for additional property taxes is not likely to come up until 2006 or later.

The second public hearing on the budget will be held at the November Council meeting, at which time the 2005 Levy will be set by ordinance. The final budget will not be set by ordinance until December 2004.

UPDATED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN REVIEW: The Council has started its review of the Comprehensive Plan, which was recently updated by the Planning Commission and reviewed by the State of Washington. The Council plans to complete their review and adopt this updated version at the November Council meeting.

RESOLUTION 212 ADOPTING FINDINGS OF FACT IN THE KAYS' APPEAL OF THE DENIAL OF THEIR REQUEST FOR VARIANCE: The Council authorized the Mayor to sign Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and the Decision of the Council upholding the Board of Adjustment's decision to deny the Kays' request for a variance to construct a garage that encroached into the side setback.

RESOLUTION 213 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LYNNWOOD: The Council authorized the Mayor to sign a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the City of Lynnwood. This agreement allows the Town to use the Small Works Roster developed by the City of Lynnwood on behalf of more than 30 cities, towns, and giving us access to a larger number of qualified contractors at no cost to the Town.

RESOLUTION 214 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL JOINT PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF BELLEVUE: The Council authorized the Mayor to sign an Interlocal Joint Purchasing Agreement with the City of Bellevue. This agreement allows the Town to purchase goods and services from any City of Bellevue contracts awarded on a bid basis without the Town having to obtain separate bids.

RESOLUTION 215 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE McANDREWS GROUP: The Council authorized the Mayor to sign a new contract with The McAndrews Group for Building Official, Engineering, Planning and Code-Enforcement Services. This new contract amends the hourly rates paid to The McAndrews Group for the named services.

PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE COMCAST FRANCHISE: The Council reviewed a request from Comcast to extend the existing cable and high-speed Internet franchise and will take action on this request at the November Council meeting.

AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT WITH BELLEVUE FIRE DEPARTMENT: Our current contract with the Bellevue Fire Department includes a clause that allows for a six-year extension of the contract without going through a lengthy negotiation. The Council has decided to request this automatic extension.

VILLAGER EMAIL LIST: A Big Thank You to the 60+ families that have sent me your email addresses. If you haven't yet done so, please take a moment to send an email to Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov so that your name can be added to our list. We promise to keep it private! In the near future, **the Council would like to use email to send out electronic copies of newsletters (saves trees!) and to inform Villagers of urgent news (saves time!).**

LOCKING MAILBOX UPDATE: LAST CALL for a locking mailbox at the discounted price. To date, only 7 residents have expressed an interest in purchasing a locking mailbox, but I need at least 20 to place an order at the discounted price. If you missed the initial purchase and wish to be included in a future purchase, please contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov or by phone at 425.454.8580 no later than November 15th to put your name on the list.

KING COUNTY LIBRARY: The King County Library System is encouraging attendance at one of the following budget presentations to hear about their plans for the coming year:

Mon. 11/8, 7pm	Burien Library, 14700 6 th Ave. SE, Burien
Tues. 11/0, 7pm	Bellevue Regional, 1111 110 th Ave. NE, Bellevue
Tues., 11/9, 7pm	Bothell Regional, 18215 98 th NE, Bothell
Wed., 11/10, 7pm	Maple Valley Library, 21844 SE 248 th St. Maple Valley

Presentations will focus on the bond election, early literacy, technology advances, quality of collections, and customer service. Your input will help shape the future of KCLS.

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

- Contact **Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens** if you need to speak to someone about **issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.** You can reach her by email at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov, by phone at (425) 454-8580, or by regular mail at 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.
- Contact **Deputy Clerk Betsy Donworth** if you need information, applications, or other assistance with **permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment.** She can be reached by email at bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov, by phone at (425) 453-0235, or by regular mail at 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

WABA October News

Welcome to our New Beachmaster.

Jan Johnston was approved as WABA's new Beachmaster at the last Board of Trustees meeting. Jan replaces Aaron Sharp, who resigned to focus his efforts on his work with the Town Council. Thanks, Aaron, for your leadership, enthusiasm, and hard work in making the beach a great place for all of us. And thanks, Jan, for volunteering to take over this vital job. We wouldn't be the special community we are without volunteers like the two of you.

History Committee. As noted in the last Bulletin, WABA has been searching for someone to replace Anne Rutledge as the Village and WABA Historian. In order to make this job less demanding of any one person's time, and more fun, we've decided to replace the Historian position with an informal committee of volunteers. WABA has a large, growing and fascinating collection of documents and other materials relating to Beaux Arts, dating back to its founding in 1908. The role of the History Committee is to organize, maintain, and make available to Villagers these records of our community's past. If you'd like to be part of this interesting, important and rewarding activity, please contact Jim Airy at 425-454-4662 or jaairy@comcast.net.

Thanks to Gordon Roberts. Speaking of the History Committee, when Anne Rutledge decided to leave the Village, we not only lost a good neighbor and good Historian. We lost a good basement. That's important, because Anne's basement was home to the Beaux Arts archives and records. Fortunately, Gordon Roberts has graciously volunteered to house the archives in his basement. Had Gordon not come forward with this generous offer, we would have had to put these items in a rented storage facility, incurring expense and restricting access. So a big Thank You, Gordon!